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## Gay Program For Valentine Party Here

Marin City residents, from tots to grandpas, will flock to the Community Building auditorium at 6:30 p.m. next Wednesday for a gala Valentine program of music, dancing, skits and movies.

In response to requests for more community-wide events for the youngsters, the Marin County Recreation Department and Marin City Recreation Committee, co-sponsors of the Valentine party, have announced plans for frequent all-city programs during 1945.

Two special films, "Cupid Gets His Man" and "Romeo and Juliet" have been booked for the Valentine party, according to Mrs. Lois Nelson, recreation supervisor.

Harold Gregg, supervisor of recreation for Marin County, will serve as master of ceremonies and take part in several skits, take-offs on Marin City playtime.

A hula group, including Ruby and Ruth Morgan, Joan and Jackie Splean and Winnie and Rosemary Cather will dance under the direction of Mrs. Nelson.

"The girls have been practicing for several weeks and are making their own grass skirts for the number," Mrs. Nelson said.

Frank Nebaum and Earl Cobb will act out "The Jabberwalk" from "Alice in Wonderland." Milen Dempster, project services adviser for Marin City, will read the poem.

Special stage effects are being arranged for a choral group, "Swinging on a Star," directed by Mrs. W. R. Bingham, House 385.

Additional entertainment will be provided by the guitar class taught by C. K. Ramsden, Apartment 242.

Two piano solos by Mrs. Myrtle Evora Holmes, Apartment 132, will complete the program.

"The party is scheduled to end by eight o'clock so the younger children will not be kept up too late," Mrs. Nelson said. "And, of course, there will be no admission charged."

## *Open Forum at Double V Club Meeting Sunday*

An open forum on "The Negro in Public" will be the program of the Double V Club meeting this Sunday, February 11 at 1 p.m. in the Community Building lounge. The subject is being discussed in connection with celebration of National Negro Week.

A representative of the American Red Cross has been invited to enlist the support of Double V members in the Blood Donor program.

The public is invited. Regular meeting of the club will be the second Sunday of each month.

## Boy Injured in Fall from Car

Merlie Clark, 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lindus Clark of House 614, suffered a basel fracture of the skull last Tuesday night when he fell out of his father's car as they were driving up the North Hill.

After examination at the Medical Center, the boy was referred to Dr. Howard Brown, noted neurologist, and sent to Franklin Hospital in San Francisco.

His condition was described as fair, late this week.

## *Imposter Collects Unlawfully for Citizen Delivery*

**A warning not to pay Marin Citizen carriers for paper delivery until they show proper credentials, was issued this week by Mrs. Hazel Dinsmore, circulation manager.**

**Mrs. Dinsmore reported that an unknown youth collected money from several apartments last week without authorization of the regular carrier. The case has been referred to the local sheriff's office.**

**All regular Marin Citizen carrier boys and girls can be identified by a letter on Marin Citizen stationery, signed by the editor. Residents are requested to ask for this credential before paying anyone other than the regular carrier**

**The names of the regular Marin Citizen carriers are: Dick Berglund, Jean Dawson, Frank White, Jeanette Makaroff, Glenn Dinsmore, Richard Gruenwald, Donald Pense, Glenn Bishop and Charles Murray.**

## Candidates For Council Must File Now

The nominating period for election to the Marin City Council will close next Wednesday noon, February 14, this week announced the election committee, in a warning to all condidates to file their petitions before that date.

Two council incumbents, Walter Del Tredici and W. C. Billingsley, have declined to run for re-election which leaves a total of nine council seats to be filled in the citywide election which will be held February 21 in the Community Building.

Eligible for the community offices are all residents 21 years of age or older. Simple details of nominating procedures can be secured on the petition blanks which are posted at the rental office, Community House lobby, and Building 401.

Nomination is by district, of which there are four in the city. In Apartment District A there are two positions to be filled; in Apartment District B, there are two; in District C, there is one; and in Hill District D, there are four vacancies.

## Shipwrights Join Marin's Central Labor Council

Another union was accepted into the Marin Central Labor Council last night when Shipwrights and Joiners, Local No. 1149, began as members of the organization with R. B. Freeman appointed delegate.

Continuing with the nomination of officers for 1945, the present candidates, among whom are numbered the majority of present officers, headed by Herman Hale as chairman, will remain in their posts as no further candidates were named for office. Two new trustees, Bob Freeman and Josephine McCormack, were nominated.

Also considered by the Labor Council was the ommission of the salary amendment for San Rafael's city officers from the ballot. However the group continued their support of Amendment IA.

## Arrested

Alfred May was arrested last Sunday for disturbing the peace, on charges made by Mrs. Mary Malcolm, of House 583. She stated May attempted to enter her home through an open window.

# Strong Possibility Indicated For Swing Shift Changes Despite Marinship Denials

Although Marinship officials this week persistently denied that swing shift will be discontinued at the yard or that there will be any other major changes in operation, rumors among workers were running at an all-time high with predictions gong the rounds that "the Navy is taking over the yard, repair work is to be initiated, two 10-hour shifts established, swing shift reduced to a skeleton crew, that women and Negroes are to be fired." Bob Adams of the employee relations department, indignant at the flare-up of rumors but unable to deny that something is brewing, said, "We are evaluating all working methods and every employee at Marinship. No decision has been reached on contemplated changes. We are simply taking inventory to find the most efficient and economical way of building ships."

"With the contracts we now have, I think it would be foolish to even consider curtailment of our present personnel," he declared.

Supporting the rumor that swing shift is to be curtailed, a usually reliable source at the shipyard declared that heads of departments had received definite orders at a meeting in Plant Division last Saturday night, to start lay-offs on the second shift. This spokesman declared that the orders will go into effect next Monday on Skid 2, which is to be completely eliminated on the shift, and at the plate ship.

**MAINTAIN FORCE**

According to this source, head officials are working to reduce the swing shift to a skeleton maintenance and emergency force, to cut swing crews down from the present 36.9 per cent of the 13,000 total working force to seven per cent.

Although it is agreed that reliable workers will be transferred to day shift, the undisclosed spokesman declared the yard knew it would lose many workers who would take clearance rather than the shift change, and in many cases, break-downs of foremen, superintendents and leadermen.

That the yard was planning on this reduction of forces to reduce congestion on a possible one 10-hour day shift, was added by a spokesman.

**UNION ACTION**

In the meantime, unions who see in this situation possibilities of cut-backs and unemployment, were preparing for membership discussion of the local problem and a probable appeal to the yard for revision of the Labor Management committee there in order to allow workers a voice in contemplated changes.

## Tests Reveal 18 Children With TB

Of 178 kindergarten and first grade children who took the recent tuberculin tests at the Marin City school, 18 children showed positive reactions, reports the Marin County Health Department this week.

"This positive reaction means that the child has been exposed to an individual with active tuberculosis or has been drinking raw, infected milk," said Miss Verna Norton, public health nurse.

The families of each one of the 18 children will be visited in the very near future by Miss Gertrude Andrews, school nurse, who will make recommendations for finding the source of infection, and advise treatment.

On the first test given, the patch test, 10 infected youngsters were discovered. On the intradermal test, a stronger type, eight more youngsters were found who have tuberculosis infection.

Miss Norton said the number of positive reactions shown followed the average per cent found in testing for tuberculosis.

The tests were given by the Marin County Tuberculosis Association in cooperation with the Marin County Health Department and the Marin City school.

## Monson's Stolen Car Recovered In Record Time

Fifteen minutes after R. Monson reported the theft of his automobile to the local sheriff's office last Saturday, the car was discovered on a county road by the State Highway Patrol.

George Barnes, juvenile, found in possession of the car, was arrested on suspicion of grand auto theft.

The vehicle was taken from in front of Monson's drug store in the commercial center.

## Team Wins in Ping Pong Play

Winners of the doubles in the Teener Ping Pong tournament playoff last week were Willie Rombke and Bob Clarke who defeated the team of Jess Ivory-Melvin Walton in close competition.

In the singles semi-finals, Willie Rombke defeated Bob Clarke in a series of five games.

The next game to be held in the semi-finals will be between Ivory and Alfred Tillet, with the winner playing Rombke to determine the singles champion.

## *City Council*

The Marin City Council meets this Sunday, February 11, at 8 p.m. in the Community House lounge.

All residents are invited to attend, and to participate in community discussion during The-Good-of-Marin Hour.

## Charm School For Teeners To Open Here

Presenting specialists in the fields of fashion, hair styling, makeup, voice, posture and personality, the Marin County Recreation Department has scheduled a Charm Course for teenage girls to begin at 7:30 p. m. Friday, February 23, in the Community Building lounge, according to Mrs. Lois Nelson, recreation supervisor.

The success course will include six consecutive Friday evening programs.

Mrs. Freda Benson will open the series with "Personalysis—the Most Flattering Colors and Styles for You." Mrs. Benson's career has included many radio appearances, eight years as Jane Barton, homecraft editor for the Pacific Rural Press, and her current position as Peggy Planters for Planters Peanuts.

Other experts who will demonstrate charm secrets are: Miss Marilyn King, San Francisco Shopping News; and Miss Carolyn Leonetti, charm consultant on Art Linkletter's radio program.

Although the series has been planned especially for Marin City teeners, girls from Mill Valley, Sausalito and other communities in this area are welcome to attend.

## Sea Scouts Call for Crew Members

We have our new ship, and now we need a larger crew, says Arthur Walenta, skipper of Sea Scout Ship 21. At present the Sea Scouts are meeting weekly on Thursday evenings at Bob Shinn's electrically equipped carpenter shop in Sausalito and on the Pacific Queen, three masted schooner, the largest boat in Sausalito harbor.

Their present project is the repairing of the 30-foot boat, Sir Francis Drake, gift of the British War Shipping Board, which when repaired and remodeled, will be sailing forth with its Sea Scout crew into San Francisco bay.

Art Walenta emphasizes the Scouts' desire to enlarge their membership and the fact that any and all Marin City boys from 15 to 17 years of age are invited to apply for membership. The number of boys who can be accepted is somewhat limited, due to the size of the ship, but at present each boy applying has a chance to become a Sea Scout.

Art is at home at House 150 any time after 6 p.m. in the evenings, so you can go to his house today and tell him that you would like to become a member of his crew.

C. E. Stohr of House 383 is at Ross Hospital recovering after a serious operation last week.

## *City 'Stunt Man' Survives Long List of Mishaps*

A record of six accidents—four falls, a rusty nail, and a strained muscle from climbing—has been chalked up by young Merle Dixon of House 588 since his arrival in Marin City in 1943.

His latest calamity was sustained early this week when he fell from a tree on the school grounds, causing a deep laceration above his elbow.

Down at the Medical Center, where Merle is a regular visitor, they scarcely have to look at him before they jot down "another fall" on his chart.

Although the young man favors trees for his casualty maneuvers, he has also taken a flyer on stilts which netted him a badly bruised right arm. A rusty nail in his heel was a further variation for the 15-year-old "crack-up" veteran.

# CIO Leader Joins Price Control Drive

Mervyn Rathborne, secretary-treasurer of the California CIO Council, in a statement issued today in support of the Anti-Inflation Campaign sponsored by the Labor Advisory Committee to the District Office of Price Administration, called upon Organized Labor to redouble its support of the government price control program.

"The prospect of the end of hostilities in Europe will bring increased pressure from certain elements to abandon or ignore the Price Control program," Rathborne stated.

The State CIO leader declared that "Unless efforts are made by the working population to 'hold the home front line', we may see and feel an uncontrolable rise in living costs.

"Labor knows that the job of the OUA is essential, and one which if not done would render our war effort impossible. Without OPA labor's difficulties would have been immeasurably increased," Rathborne asserted.

## *Need of Doctors Plus Insurance Cited by Council*

**Ordinary insurance policies do NOT provide doctors. They merely provide funds to pay a doctor, if you are able to obtain one.**

**Our Marin City plan is a contract with the California Physicians Service. A main advantage is that it DOES provide doctors, as well as pay for them.**

**Doctors from neighboring towns, due to the war, now have more families to take care of than they should have. Generally, these neighboring doctors are hard to reach and are able to make home visits only in extreme emergencies.**

**ISSUED BY THE MEDICAL COMMITTEE OF MARIN CITY COUNCIL.**

Last week for the first time the sale of live cattle became subject to price control.

# Tragic Early Marriage Is Movie Story

"The Wrong Way Out", a story of youthful impatience with the barriers to young marriages, will be on the program of the adult movie at the Community House next Thursday, February 15 at 8 p.m. The feature points up the necessity of waiting for marriage until self-support is assured.

A film showing Guatemalan fiestas, entitled "Wooden Faces of Totonicapan" will also be on the program. It includes the breath-taking climax of Chichicastenago's famous eight-day celebration.

"Life's Summer Camps" from the March of Time series, will be the final feature of the evening's free entertainment.

The film release incorporates progressive education theories with advantages of outdoor life. The value of summer camp is expressed by Dr. John Dewey, who said, "The average American child seldom comes in contact with nature, and is therefore in danger of losing contact with primitive realities."

## Marin Scouting

C. J. Carlson, who will be remembered as one of the national staff men who in 1922 aided in organization of the Marin Council of Boy Scouts, will be welcomed back to Marin and California as guest speaker at the 22nd annual Scouters' dinner which will be held Tuesday, February 13, at Scout Hall, San Rafael.


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## Two Children Bitten by Dogs

Two Marin City children were treated at the Medical Center this week for dog bites. The first case happened Monday when a dog belonging to House 144, bit Mary Lou Alger, 7, on the thigh.

Howard Harrison, 11, suffered the second canine attack when he was delivering papers yesterday.

No complications were reported in either instance.

## Omission

Through an error, the name of young Foster Clarke was omitted from the list of boys who helped with the paper drive in Marin City two weeks ago.

## Congratulations

To Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Santos on the birth of a son at Cottage Hospital, February 2.

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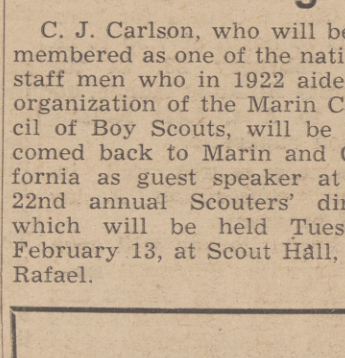

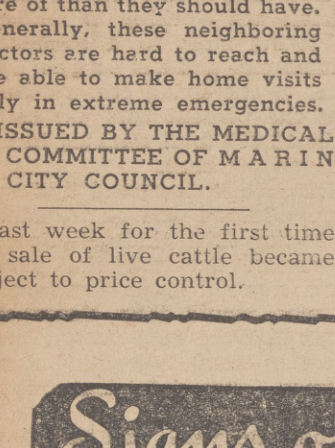

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# Teener Topics

Edited by Nancy Larsen

**COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Willie Rombke.

Nancy Larsen was absent due to illness.

There is $238 in the treasury.

The date for the Valentine dance is February 16.

The next council meeting will be February 20.

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It was quite a surprise when some of Nancy Larsen's friends dropped in on her Sunday with a surprise birthday party. It seems the party kept her in bed all week afterwards.

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**Headlines**

George Price — After being sick, he is specializing on Marin City wolfing.

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**Little Bird Says:**

How did Dolores Maszy make out with the sailor's picture last Sunday night?

What did Red Davis say about Myrna Williams' brother to her face?

Attention, Bob McCarthy: Edith Storvold would like a little notice from you?

**The Wondering Boys**

Jesse Ivory has been staying home since his cousin came to town. I wonder?

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I hear Nora is practically engaged to Samuel Martin. I wonder?

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Helen Davis is staying home lately. I wonder?

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Peawee has been going to see Carrie Franklin lately. I wonder?

**Movie Titles**

"The Very Thought of You."—Betty Oliver.

"Girl Crazy" — Most of the teener wolves.

"To Have or Have Not"—A Man.

"Bridge of San Luis Rey" — All Bridges in Marin City.

"Colorado" — Eleanor Campbell.

"I Can't Help Singing"—Betty Massie.

"Men on Her Mind"—Dorla Faubel.

"Hi, Beautiful!"—Mickey Carpenter.

"Thrill of a Lifetime"—Thursday night show.

"Young Bill Hickok" — Bill Woods.

"Dark Waters"—Marin City on a rainy morning.

"None But the Lonely Heart"—Peggy Faubel.

"Faces in the Fog"—7:35 a.m. at Tam bus stop.

"Lady Takes a Chance"—Carla Norgren.

"Big Noise"—Marvin Gardiner.

"That's My Baby" — Beverly Combs and Joe Arvilla.

## Visits Camp Fire

Plans are under way by Marin County Camp Fire Girls for the annual visit of the national field secretary, Miss Nora Garvin, who will be in this county on February 19 and 20. On February 20 the executive board of the group will meet for their regular monthly luncheon meeting at which time Miss Garvin will be honored by the local organization.

## Lincoln's Rules For Good Life By Adjutant

"Do not worry, eat three square meals a day, say your prayers, be courteous to your creditors, keep your digestion good, steer clear of biliousness, exercise, go slow and go easy. Maybe there are other things that your special case requires to make you happy, but, my friend, these I reckon will give you a good lift."

—Abraham Lincoln.

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If George Washington were to come back to earth right now, what do you think he would be proud of? I feel that one item of which he would be proud is the service we have given to the world; the encouragement that has been given to individuals, all over the world by the average citizen of the United States. The American citizen has retained his independence, freedom and determination. He wants only what he is able to earn through his own efforts.

The American Legion is interested in the history of both of these great Americans: George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, and are proud to pass on the lessons they taught.

The birthdays of both Washington and Lincoln should be observed in every school room of America. The American Legion co-operates with the schools in the two observances. Such observances are of great value in the building of Americanism.

—"Sam" Langford.

## New Manager

Albert Goodwin, of San Francisco, has been appointed supervisor of operations for the seven Marin theatres of the Blumenfeld circuit, according to an announcement made late last week by Abe Blumenfeld.

Goodwin, who for sometime has been in charge of theatrical operations at the Blumenfeld's four Market Street theatres in San Francisco, will serve in the capacity of district manager for this area, while the present theatre managers will continue in their present capacities.

A veteran of 20 years of motion picture operational work, the new district manager will make his home in Marin in the near future, bringing with him his wife and daughter. His office will be at the El Camino Theatre in San Rafael.


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## Nurse Chick

# Elmer Answers Column From Post in South Pacific

Today's mail brought a letter from Elmer, which I hope my readers will enjoy. Many of you knew Elmer as the overseas soldier who has heard of Marin City through this column. The following is his letter, written about his adventures in the Pacific:

"Many events have transpired since I wrote you last, At that time I was in the Marianas Islands, flew shortly thereafter to my home air base near Honolulu. I enjoyed a ten-day leave. It was the first time I had more than 24 hours off at once since entering the Army, nearly two years ago.

"One of the highlights of that vacation was an invitation to dinner at a beautiful home just under famous Diamond Head, near Waikiki Beach. Another time a buddy in my outfit invited me to his home at Waielua Plantation Co., a sugar plantation. The chap's father is English-American and his mother is half Hawaiian. The most charming hospitality you can imagine. We wore civilian clothes: blue slacks and gay flowered "aloha" skirts, and had all the fish and poi we could eat.

"While back in Oahu (island on which Honolulu is situated), I managed to negotiate a transfer from Public Relations to the Intelligence section of the 7th Air Force, and before long I was on my way back to the Marianas again. My new assignment promises to very interesting.

"And now for a new army experience. I am in the hospital recovering from a minor operation, and am getting along splendidly. I should return to my outfit soon, I am eager to do so, with this fascinating new duty waiting for me.

"Honolulu is highly touted as the cross-roads of the Pacific, but at the present time I maintain the hospital here in the Marianas should have that honor. Here are patients from all the services — infantry veterans of the Philippine battles, B-29 gunners wounded in bombing raids over Tokyo, victims of various army occupational accidents and illnesses. Here are soldiers, sailors and Marines, who speak as casually of Kiska, Tarawa, Hilo, Port Morsby or Funaputi as they once spoke of Peoria or Kansas City.

"At first I was in a general hospital, later transferring to a station hospital, along with patients also well on the road to recovery. The general hospital outfit — doctors, nurses, ward boys has been overseas a long time, having been in the Hawaiian Islands nearly two years before coming here. The station hospital detachment, on the other hand, is fresh from the States. I imagine this accounts for the difference, for there is all the difference in the world. In many instances the nurses and ward boys at general seem to be bored and almost indifferent. Seldom was a patient favored with a smile. But at the new unit the nurses and ward boys smile at the slightest provocation.

"I don't have to tell you, Nurse Chick, how this cheerful attitude helps the patients, for you deal in this priceless, yet unlimited commodity, as is reflected in the experiences related in your column and in the idea of writing such a feature.

"While I am anxious to get back to my squadron, my time here in the hospital has been far from wasted. First, I brought along some lessons, which I wanted to review, and some good reading.

"I have read your columns with great interest and enthusiasm and I feel highly honored that several were addressed to me. I hope you are finding the time to continue this avocation. Send me more clippings if you are doing them.

"And now as we say in Hawaii to those friends who mean most to us . . . Aloha Mui Loa.

"ELMER."

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## Old Time Dance

This Sunday will be old time dance night in Marin City with Mrs. Edith Nichol's orchestra playing for local dancers at the Community House from 8 p. m. to 12 midnight.

Admission is 50 cents. The public is invited.

## Marriage License

A marriage license was issued this week at San Rafael to Charles Hilton, 22, Hamilton Field, and Ruby James, 23, Marin City.

## Chief Vacations

Rolf Bremer, Marin City fire chief, left last Thursday for a fishing trip near Trinidad. He'll return from his winter vacation the 16th.


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# WOMEN'S PAGE

## Women's Club Initiates Four New Members

Four new members were initiated at the Women's Club meeting here Wednesday, February 7. They were Mrs. George Taubman, Mrs. Myrtle Ekman, Mrs. Clara Bishop and Miss Olga Phillipson.

After the business meeting a stimulating program was supervised by Mrs. Robert Cooper and Miss Helen Sullivan. Refreshments were served by Mrs.Louis Bright, chairman; Mrs. J. Blanchett and Mrs. Clara Bishop.

Announcement was made of the Women's Club pot-luck supper which will be Sunday, February 11, in the Community House council room. Serving on the refreshment committee for the dinner are Mrs. Robert Cooper, chairman; Mrs. Walter Makaroff, and Miss Olga Phillipson.

A donation of $5 was voted to the Girl Scouts to purchase equipment.

The next meeting of the Cookie Brigade on February 14, will be staffed by members Mrs. Ben Bloomquist, chairman; Mrs. Robert Cooper, Mrs. George Taubman, Mrs. Leo Davis, Mrs. Walter Makaroff, Miss Olga Phillipson, Mrs. J. R. Kahrt and Mrs. Bernice Roland.

A special meeting combined with the executive board meeting was called for Tuesday, February 13, at 10 a.m. in Project Services Building 401.

PAID ADVERTISEMENT

## Irene Murphy, Tax Expert, Opens Offices

Miss Irene Murphy will again be in charge of the Tax problems for the residents of MARIN CITY, as well as those of the men in the DORMITORY. Her fee will be a nominal one.

If you will bring your W-2 Form to her which you received from your Employer, she will save you many dollars in your tax. The hours will be those that will best benefit everybody.

Miss Murphy's experience in tax work for the men in the shipyard has been such that their tax problems can be easily solved to their financial benefit.

She will maintain desks in the lounge of the Community Building of Marin City, as well as the Post Office in the Men's Dormitory and to have all the service that you can avail yourself of, Miss Murphy requests that you bring your tax information to her early so that the work will not all crowd into the last few days around March 15.

Married people will be agreeably surprised at the money saving if they bring their W-2 form to Miss Murphy's desk before mailing it to the Internal Revenue.

"I would like to explain how I can save you money on each return so please avail yourself of an early interview," says Miss Murphy. (adv.)

## Training In Psychology for Hostesses

The local training course for Junior and Senior Hostesses being conducted in Marin City will branch out to include a talk by Major Louis S. Lipschutz on "Psychological Problems of Servicemen," Wednesday, February 21, at 8 p.m., in San Francisco.

Those taking the course here and other interested individuals are urged to register at the Marin City USO cottage as soon as possible, if they desire transportation for the lecture.

Major Lipschutz's talk is part of a series on "Conversations with Returned Servicemen in Hospital and USO Centers," which is being conducted to equip hostesses for their volunteer work with servicemen and veterans.

The invitation for the lecture came to Marin City from Miss Leah Minor, instructor of the training course now being held here.

"The more knowledge we gain of these matters will not only greatly benefit us in our present day work, but also prepare us to be more adequately equipped, more understanding and capable of meeting veterans after the war in our daily lives and in our own community," wrote Miss Minor.

## Unique Display Of Valentines

Of interest to San Rafael window shoppers is a display in the Albert's store, featuring Valentines of the "Gay Nineties."

The valentines are of the old type lacy affairs, with sentimental messages, with elaborate decorations. The Valentines are from a private collection and are for display purposes only.

**Robert J. Patterson, Baptist minister and evangelist, speaks in Marin City next week. Reverand Patterson has held several pastorates in California. During the past few years he and his wife have been engaged in Missionary Evangelism among children.**

## New Ration Stamps Valid First of Month

So that ration book users may be kept in touch with validating of stamps, A. B. Hawley, acting district rationing executive, of OPA, today summarized cancellation dates on red and blue stamps.

**Blocks of new blue stamps will continue to become valid on the first of each calendar month.**

**Blocks of new red stamps will continue to become valid on the first of each calendar month.**

**All red and blue stamps will be taken out of circulation four months after their validation dates.**

OPA has also ruled that motorists who inadvertently re-endorsed their gasoline ration coupons with their new 1945 licenses number may legally continue to use the doubly-endorsed coupons.

It was emphasized that only the cover of the gasoline ration book must be re-endorsed. A light line should be drawn through the old license number and the 1945 number inserted above.

## Sport and Craft Leaders Join Staff

Two recreation leaders were added to the Marin City staff this week by the Marin County Recreation Department.

Mrs. John Davidson, who will divide her time between Marin City and Alto Tailer Camp, will supervise gym activities, outdoor sports and movies.

Mrs. Katherine B. Goodfellow will teach craft classes and music groups and assist with movies and other community-wide events.

Mrs. Davidson majored in physical education at the University of Nebraska, where she was active in modern dancing, bowling and tennis. She has supervised classes in archery, softball, volleyball, basketball, calisthenics and other sports.

In addition, she has done organization work among 4-H groups for the Women's Division of the Omaha, Nebraska Chamber of Commerce, and managed tournaments for North American Aviation in Los Angeles. Her favorite hobby is fishing.

Mrs. Goodfellow's special skills include woodworking, leathercraft, painting, basketry, pottery, story-telling and dramatics and singing. She has taught a variety of adult craft classes and directed choral groups for radio programs.

Versatile Mrs. Goodfellow also is an accomplished pianist.

## *Psychiatry Is Topic at Meeting Of Career Women*

"Psychiatry in Every Day Living" will be the subject of Dr. Malcolm H. Finley, psychiatrist, when he speaks before the Marin Career Women on Wednesday, February 14, at 9 a.m. at the Alta Mira Hotel, Sausalito.

What psychiatry is doing for the child, the returned veteran, for marital conflicts, for problems of every day living—will be discussed at the round table meeting.

Chairman of the meeting will be Mrs. Louella Mockett, well known Sausalito writer. This meeting is open to both men and women. Those who are not club members and would like to attend can do so by securing further information from Clayre Lipman, Sausalito 556J.

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## Hedda Hopper: Looking at HOLLYWOOD

Sulfa, penicillin, quinine, morphia and blood plasma are vital in war medicine, but there's another great healer, too, on the battle front and the home front—the power of song.

The power of song has made this a top year for singers and composers, for war with its demand for more and more music has thrust them into the foreground of the entertainment field, with names that were doing well yesterday, like **Frankie Boy Sinatra** and **Dick Haymes**, for instance, now becoming stars.

**Phil Regan** recently brought this fact home to me. He made me understand that if you were to take the contribution of Hollywood's songsters to the boys overseas and lay it end to end it would reach from here to the moon and back again. And **Bing Crosby, Frankie, Phil, Dick, Dinah Shore, Judy Garland, Deanna Durbin, Frances Langford, Betty Grable,** and all that magnificent list of entertainers whose talent has livened our fighting men have patched up many, many deep wounds of heart and mind.

**THERE'S A REASON**

Let me tell you something of what **Bing** means to the boys. I've talked to some of them back from the invasion front who were there when old **Bing**, steel helmet on one side of his head, familiar pipe in the corner of his mouth, stood up in a jeep to sing for a detachment somewhere along the roads off Normandy. Howitzers were barking to his right, and a dull, persistent boom from the horizon indicated a barrage being laid down ahead. But at sight of the **Old Groaner**, boys who were halted on their grim forward march for a rest period straightened up and grinned.

**"Bing! Hey, Bing!** How about 'Pennies from Heaven'?" And when **Bing** grinned and raised his arm to indicate he was ready to begin, cheers and whistles split the skies. Then a silence more profound than Carnegie hall, for they didn't want to miss a single note. When an enemy plane circled uncomfortably near, **Bing** just cocked an eye at the sky and said, "Gee what that **Frankie Sinatra** won't do to steal a show!" and went right on singing. He'd give them all the old favorites until the order came through for the column to fall in. Those boys were marching up to the battle line, but their step was lighter, they had new courage with the echo of his music in their hearts—the courage that comes when danger is shared.

**A HIT WITH G.I.s**

One a week **Dick Haymes** puts on a radio show called "Everything for the Boys." They send in their requests, and they talk by short wave telephone from the battle fronts to the folks at home. You should read the mail that pours in from the soldiers.

**Phil Regan**, telling me of his experiences on his personal appearance tour, said: "Sometimes folks tell why they make certain requests. You see, the songs they want aren't always the smooth ones that are in the groove at the moment. They are the songs that remind them of home.

Another song the boys want is "Onward, Christian Soldiers," that fierce marching hymn, one of the greatest of all time. It's keen as a sword, that one, and mighty as eternity. It's for moments where nostalgic reminiscence won't do—moments when you want a lift as well as a boost forward.

On USO tours **Betty Grable** had to sing "Embraceable You" over and over and over again. And **Alice Faye's** "I'll Have My Love to Keep Me Warm" seemed to fill the same spot with homesick boys.

So after talking with **Phil Regan** my hat's off to the singers and song writers of the world for what they've done and are doing for our boys and for the civilians during this war.

**Bing Crosby** didn't need war to make him great, but war has brought him closer to the millions of fans who put him at the top and keep him there than any peace time years ever could.

## Supplies Needed For Wounded

There is an ever increasing need for canes, playing cards, and games for the wounded in bay area hospitals. There is no need to tell you WHY these are needed. Get busy and bring them out.

*Frederick Thompson*

## Czechoslovakia Preyed Upon By Germany and Poland

Just after Munich, when Hitler broke his few days old agreement to occupy no more than the Sudeten area of Czechoslovakia, a promise, by the way, that he broke mentally while he made it verbally and one moreover that Chamberlain probably knew he intended to break, even as he listened to it; the Polish government of that day, composed largely of that group who now call themselves the Polish Government in Exile in London, took advantage of Czechoslovakia's weakness in her hour of mortal peril, and moved into that country from the north, seizing a small but very rich area which had been a part of Czechoslovakia since its formation—an area called Teschen.

The Poles had no right to the territory from any viewpoint of its past attachment to Poland nor from the claim of historic nor ethnological similarity. The language, the customs and the history of the terrain all brought it into close and sympathetic association with the Czechs.

The Czechs, sold down the river by the powers with whom she had mutual defense treaties and over-run by the might of Germany, had to face the added humiliation of seeing her neighbor to the north, with whom she had been on friendly terms ever since they both emerged from the peace conference at Versailles, taking advantage of her weakness to stab her in the back without provocation of any nature whatever.

This small piece of ground lies about in latitude 50 north and longitude 18 east of Greenwich and is about the size of Marin and the southern half of Sonoma counties, but it is very richly mineralized, and the Becks and Ridz-Smigleys and their associates could see great personal profit in its aquisition and development as it contains great mineral wealth.

You may find Teschen on your maps by the above approximate bearings and you may wonder that a country (or rather its unscrupulous politicians) would stoop to rob an impotent neighbor and brand themselves unfeeling and grasping thieves, for so small a prize, but it was done, and its doing was all part of the build-up for this completely earth-shaking war.

**Those days of the occupation of the Sudeten, followed immediately by their occupation of all of Czechoslovakia, were among the saddest of history up to that time, and never should have occurred and never need occur again.**

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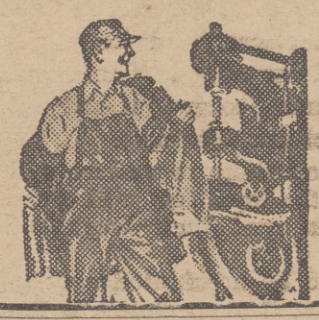

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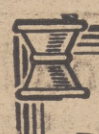

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## Abraham Lincoln

It is fitting that we should celebrate Abraham Lincoln's birthday by devoting at least a little time to thinking about him. What made him a great American?

He was one of our greatest politicians. At the same time, he was deeply loyal to the finer things that have made America great. He is honored for preserving the Union and freeing the slaves. His ability to chart and follow a wise course of action in the midst of confusion and conflict, to understand all sorts of people, to harness differing and difficult personalities to work together, to write in simple commanding words, to hate no one, but to act "with malice toward none" are among his great attributes. Genuine humility is another mark of his greatness.

It is interesting to note that during his administration he was savagely attacked for being confused, for wobbling now to the right and then to the left, for never firing an appointee, for having untold difficulties with Congress, for using the presidential power of patronage to "pack the Supreme Court," for leading the nation into war.

## New Blood for Council

Several loyal members of our community have carried the burden of the Marin City Council for our general benefit for two long years. All of us owe them a debt of gratitude. They have been sincere and hard working.

Council and its committees have played an active part in improving the bus service, the medical service, recreation activities, the commercial services, and kept the Housing Authority more aware of our needs. These and other services would have been much poorer if it had not been for Council's constant interest and alertness.

Council is not dying. It will continue to mature and forge ahead. Generally speaking, the loyal few will carry on. On the whole they have enjoyed their work for Council.

But some new residents should be nominated now to give new blood to Council, to bring it even closer to the peoples' desires, and to afford the older members a chance to rest from constant responsibility. Nomination blanks which are simple to complete are now available in the lobby of the Community Center, in the Rental Office, and the Citizen Office. Choose a capable leader from among your friends, and get his name on the ballot for Councilman. Nominations close Wednesday noon, February 14.

He who wants to persuade should put his trust, not in the right argument, but in the right word. Give me the right word, and I will move the world.—*Joseph Conrad.*

The difference between the right word and the almost right word is the difference between lightning and the lightning-bug.—*Mark Twain.*

## 'A Year Ago In Marin City

**(From the Marin Citizen Files of February 11, 1944)**

At this time last year, the Cookie Brigade of Marin City had baked 5235 cookies for the soldiers at Fort Cronkhite.

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Petitions for annual renovation of their homes here was denied residents by management after a $10,000 appropriation for the work had been turned down by the Federal Public Housing Authority.

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Marin County's board of supervisors refused to assume the salaries of three deputies in Marin City, after the local housing authority declared it could no longer pay them.

The action of both agencies reduced the force from seven to four members.

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Last year's March of Dimes in Marin City turned over $441.50 to the National Foundation, Infantile Paralysis.

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A burglar, who robbed the Child Care Center and library of $132 the week before, made a return engagement at the local library and collected an additional $6.

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Noon blowing of the air raid siren on top of the Fire Department was heard for the first time a year ago this week.

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A mystery pistol shot imperiled the lives of Mrs. Charles Mitchell of House 18 and her young son when a bullet struck the bedroom wall of their home. Who fired the gun or why was undetermined.

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The tail-end of a "cops and robbers" chase wound up in Marin City's hills with the robbers winning by a quick escape through the bushes under cover of nightfall.

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In a move to clamp down on drinking at their dances here, teeners adopted rules which will eliminate all outside persons from their parties, and decided to evict any teeners who seem to have been drinking.

## BOY SCOUTS MARK 35th ANNIVERSARY

## MIKE'S COLUMN

By MICHAEL B. SMITH

There can be little doubt now that before long American people will pass another milestone on the ever-expanding frontier of social progress. Before very long a workable prepaid system of health insurance will be in operation throughout America.

Thinking people in all walks of life (even including distinguished members of the medical fraternity) now admit that until this is done, America will not be a healthy nation.

It took the depression of the '30's and the surveys of that period to explode the illusion that America was the healthiest nation on earth. Any remaining doubt was blasted when nearly 30 per cent of the draftees were turnedd own for medical reasons.

**Time to Act**

This disillusionment inspired some of the adventurous with the uneasy feeling that something should be done. A few leaders had the temerity to publicly say that the state of the public health is a matter of public concern. They suggested that we re-examine the machinery by which medical service is distributed to the people. This implied the possibility of making certain changes.

Inescapably more and more people came to the conclusion that there is something basically wrong with a method of medical practice which is full of so many tragic contradictions. Thousands of able young men and women are being graduated from our medical schools yearly. They are equipped with the knowledge and training necessary to combat most of the diseases to which the human flesh is heir.

**Contradictions**

It is a shameful irony that millions of people who desperately need the benefits of a doctor's skill are unable to get it. The main reason is a simple one. They just don't have the money.

There is nothing sensible about the contradiction that keeps the idle doctor and the potential patient apart. There is nothing sensible in the contradiction which demands that doctors constantly improve the technique of combating illness when the result is only to make treatment so costly that fewer people are able to afford it.

**The Answer**

Advocates of a change in the methods of medical practice in the U.S.A. feel that the only workable way in which our medical service can be properly distributed is through a system of prepaid insurance. In such a plan the financial obstacle which up to now has kept the patient and the doctor apart, will be removed.

There will be no hesitancy on the part of even the poorest to consult a doctor in the event of illness — and the doctor will be sure of getting his fee.

These suggested improvements are not without opposition. Defenders of the 'Leave-things-as-they-are" faith state that any change is a challenge to the "American Way" of doing things.

This is not without precedent.

During the political fight for women's suffrage the charge was made by the anti-suffrage crowd that the idea of giving women the right to vote was "socialism run rampant." So it was with legislation for workmen's compensation, the initiative, the recall, the referendum, unemployment insurance, old age pensions, and all the other reforms which have made our democracy strong.

**Old Pattern**

The idealists initiated the reforms and the reactionaries called it radical. Thus it has ever been — and thus it will ever be.

While it took the depression to open our eyes to the knowledge that something should be done for the nation's health, it took the war to make us realize that something MUST be done. No country can afford to have four million men, out of 13 million who were called in the draft, unable to serve for reasons of health, particularly when the condition is the result of neglect.

In war and peace, one's right to enjoy good health and the medical service necessary to protect it should not be tied up with the size of anybody's bankroll.

## Family Life

By Vox Populos

"The fight that will decide the whole future of this country and in fact, that of the world, has moved to the House of Representatives," Si almost shouted at me as we met on the way to work. "If we go on the old way, the Jesse Jones way, we're going to have another awful depression, just as this old way brought us into the depression of 1929 and the early thirties. If we have a depression, most of the world will have one also. Depression breeds wars, hunger, poverty and revolution."

Si gave slow-me no chance to utter a word. On he rushed, "Those who are against Wallace believe in the old way. They want government to help business by providing subsidies and high tariffs, by eliminating taxes on business and increasing sales taxes and the like that fall upon the working people. Aside from such things, in the name of Free Enterprise they want government to leave business alone. Unfortunately, when business is let alone, Big Business, which today is more powerful than ever, generally makes monopoly agreements to keep prices up and restrict production. This kills markets and brings unemployment. Those who believe in the old way, would take the government-owned war plants and either scrap them or sell them at low figures to Big Business, so that Big Business may cut down production in them, or leave them idle."

"Today, Wallace is the symbol of a new way, a way that will use government power directly to stimulate production, to strengthen small business as against Big Business, with government assistance to give private and public enterprise a reasonable chance to make our cities, get rid of our slums and blighted areas, turn government plants over to business concerns that will put them into competitive full production, use some of these plants under the TVA plan as yardsticks to keep prices down and stimulate free enterprise instead of to increase the power of monopoly enterprise."

"So Voiceless," growled Si, as he looked me straight in the eye, "you need to send a wire yourself and campaign in your neighborhood to get lots of wires sent; you know, as you did before, 25 - word - night-letters, Western Union, for 75c each over a pay phone."

"Here's a copy of the wire I sent last night:

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**"Honorable Clarence Lea, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.**

**"Wallace confirmation urgent to forward full post-war employment stop therefore urge you to oppose amendments to George bill. Urge Congressional investigation of Jesse Jones and RFC (Signed) Cyrus and Mary Brown."**

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"The fight now has taken a longer turn," he cried. "Those who believe in the New Way must now pour all their power onto the House of Representatives not to amend the George bill. If this is achieved, and Wallace is confirmed, there still is far-reaching power and responsibility open for the President to place on Wallace's strong shoulders."

The five pounds of sugar which can be purchased with Stamp 35 will have to be stretched over three months.

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